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SUBJECT: KHMER REPRESENTATION IN UNGA

REF: STATE 219689

1. UNGA WILL CONSIDER ITEM ON KHMER REPRESENTATION
DECEMBER 4-6. DEPT VOTING ESTIMATES INDICATE GRUNK
SUPPORTERS MAINTAIN SLENDER LEAD IN EFFORTS TO OUST AND
REPLACE GKR AT UN.

2. PER PORT LOUIS 1061, DEPT HAS BEEN CARRYING
MAURITIUS AS OPPOSED TO PRO-SIHANOUK RESOLUTION. HOWEVER,
PERMREP OF MAURITIUS AT UN HAS BEEN RUNNING INTO STRONG
PRESSURES FROM PRO-SIHANOUK FORCES. REQUEST YOU MAKE
FURTHER APPROACH ON URGENT BASIS AND AT HIGHEST POSSIBLE
LEVEL TO CONFIRM GOM OPPOSITION TO GRUNK ITEM.

3. IN ADDITION TO ARGUMENTS SET FORTH REFTTEL, YOU MAY WISH
TO IMPRESS UPON GOM THAT MAJORITY VOTE AGAINST GKR WOULD
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(A) GREATLY COMPLICATE POSSIBILITIES OF A NEGOTIATED

SETTLEMENT AND (B) BE GRAVE PRECEDENT FOR UN CONSTITUTING AS IT WOULD INTERFERENCE IN INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF MEMBER STATE. YOU MAY ALSO WISH STRESS THAT (C) REGIONAL SOUTHEAST ASIA CONSENSUS IS AGAINST THE PRO-GRUNK RESOLUTION; AND (D) WE ATTACH PARTICULAR IMPORTANCE TO GOM VOTE GIVEN NARROW VOTE SPREAD ON THIS ISSUE.

4. FYI. US IS LESS INTERESTED IN WINNING VOTE THAN IN AVOIDING IT ALTOGETHER. ASIAN AND USUN SOUNDINGS IN NEW YORK SHOW MAJORITY OF DELEGATIONS WOULD FAVOR DEFERRAL AND PRO-GKR ASIANS NOW FAVOR DEFERRAL TACTIC. MEANWHILE, WE NEED CONTINUE TO LOBBY IN CAPITALS FOR DEFEAT OF SUBSTANCE OF ITEM, TO GENERATE EVIDENCE OF ENOUGH SUPPORT TO PERSUADE OTHER SIDE TO DROP MATTER FOR THIS YEAR.

5. FYI. THUS YOU SHOULD NOT VOLUNTEER POSSIBILITY OF DEFERRING OR AVOIDING VOTE ON SUBSTANCE OF ISSUE, BEARING IN MIND THAT SUCH PROPOSAL, TO SUCCEED, SHOULD BE SEEN TO ARISE IN UNGA AS COMPROMISE BETWEEN PRO-GKR AND PRO-SIHANOUK SUPPORTERS. HOWEVER, IF HOST MENTIONS DEFERMENT AS OPTION, YOU MAY INDICATE THAT IF ANY DEL WERE TO PROPOSE DEFERRAL TO 28TH UNGA, WE WOULD GO ALONG. END FYI. KISSINGER

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